

13: Inmate MSA

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04 E- What did you think of the project?

05 M- Is very good project.

06 E- Why?

07 M- Because they give the, you know, the prisoner when they come here. Give some view to them when they go out they know they can do something they think oh I am useless but then they come here they are working they find out no I can do it because of this...

08 E- Yes. What did you like or dislike?

09 M- I like it.

10 E- Is there anything you would change?

11 M- Oh, like it from when I was as a child my mother always show me how is sewing because I enjoy this one I like from the beginning.

12 E- Where is your country, where are you from?

13 M- From Iran.

14 E- Iran? And your mum used to do this?

15 M- Yes.

16 E- Did you do it before?

17 M- Yes when I was going to university I was working and going to university I was working to make for the ladies in my country all the ladies have the long dress all the long dress is like this one you know.

18 E- What did you do at university?

19 M- I studied engineering, industrial engineering.

20 E- In Iran?

21 M- In Iran.

22 E- How was that, how was your university experience?

23 M- It was good. I got the MSC then I was lecturer or the university. Then I come to the UK I was engineering in the factory production manager.

24 E- Brilliant. So, which skills or knowledge or experiences you brought to this space?

25 M- This space - is textiles space?

26 E- Makeright - the project - are there any experiences...?

27 M- Yes because I was in university I know how to draw 3D but is here said I know how .. but long time I don't do that but again when is coming it remind me and I enjoy is that I learn something about the thief the safety something if you normal got outside you never think about but when you come in this project you find out you must be think about this one as well.

28 E- Yes, what did you learn?

29 M- Design safety ...

30 E- What was the different from this project and other learning experiences, other courses in prison or your school?

31 M- This is when you come in this project is it give it to you, you use your brain and your abilities and they give to you - you can do it. Some people is it very good in design but they don't have a choice to find out is like one tick when is coming oh I can come in start maybe some people is very good design never know is coming here or in the other place not just here. I saw one lady is very good in the chest but she never know one day her father take in the drawer is chest is a foulder when he compete with she, he find out she is very, very clever lady and she is become famous in the world is it this project is the find the people give the choice to them something find themselves and they give the you can do it.

E- What did you think about the volunteers, the people who come to help?
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33 M- Is good every person that is coming they give you a new view and I said if many good, you good when you share with other people they take your experience and they use it. This is a good thing.

34 E- Most memorable moments, important moments in the project?

35 M- Is the perfect time. It was in the last minute everybody explain what I make and that day for me is very interesting.

36 E- Special?

37 M- Yeah special.

38 E- What were you comfortable or uncomfortable with?

39 M- I'm comfortable with everyone here.

40 E- Did you tell anyone about this?

41 M- Yeah, I tell now my wife, my daughter I make this one this one I do this one this one.

42 E- What did they say?

43 M- I give her do you remember one is the pencil one is another is the pink one for my daughter they very enjoy. She use it now in school.

44 E- In school? Oh that's so beautiful. So what did they say? Were they surprised?

45 M- Yeah, yeah she is very happy and surprised. She knows I am doing everything therefore about this one because my work she doesn't like any sewing but when she saw me I think she like it as well my daughter, not my wife.

46 E- She doesn't like it? Did you notice any changes from before to after doing this project?

47 M- Yes I am yes because I said I forgot all of this one now again it remind me I remember me sometimes in your house maybe you cant go buy something expensive but if you think maybe you do it in your home for example you can if you want to buy the you can do it yourself very easy this is coming to your view you can make in your home.

48 E- Yes brilliant. What about your everyday - any changes in mood i.e. when you are coming here compared to when you are not coming here - do you feel different - more stress, less stress?

49 M- Yes no when I come here I am happy because I know now I am going to work I do something but when you are not coming is that day is a very bad day.

50 E- Ammm so it helps with wellbeing . Brilliant. In general -

what are your hopes and fears?

51 M- I said is very hopeful, give hope. I think all of the prison just if give them to you you can do it.

52 E- You can. What are the plans? What are your plans?

53 M- Is my plan I am engineer, electrical engineer maybe I use this sometimes in the home when I do it something for example is it some for the children I can fix it sewing but I am electrical engineering I am very good at that one.

54 E- Great, so you would use it for personal purposes?

55 M- Yes but when you have the art the sometimes when you working in the factory as well they give to you is a view you can use this is make a good shape your machinery this is not just for this one when you are designing, you can use for any other thing as well.

56 E- Transferable skills, ok brilliant. Did this make you think about others different or do you think the guys when they do this course they understand other people better?

57 M- Yes of course some people very good in here. There is one or two I don't see they gone useless or bad but when they do it this one after that one I think all of it happy because they know the something they teach it because most of them never use the sewing machine because they are a man, you know.

58 E- Ammm ok, so it makes change from man to normal...

59 M- I can't do it... I can.

60 E- Judgment less judgment into gender.

61 M- Is true oh I'm man I don't do that but is true, is the life sometimes when is the young people but when age goes up then I understand life is another like this I am man, man, man you must be half a man.

62 E- Do you think this helps? To bring people down?

63 M- Yes, of course yes yes because they see for example other person is more than better than me their design is better than me their thinking is better than me this is make you ok you are not always MAN man.

64 E- They realise they, yeah brilliant.

65 M- I am very happy for this course and education in this prison

because they give the view to the people they said they can do it they put the programme about the computer use the Word, Powerpoint. I see some people is coming age over 45 and they come working if they are outside I don't think so never understand about how to use the computer but here this project give this people ok you can do it yourself if you want anything you can do it you got the ability to do something good not always think about something bad.

66 E- Is it any different the type of learning here and the type of learning on other courses?

67 M- The different here because here you got the choice as well you test it because you use your brain. You designing now can you do it not just design can you make this one you can make it here you can test it how is the coming out you know English or something that just reading something but here you can see what is the problem you can do this or not this is the difference this one and another one.